



GRAND CANYON OUTING | OCTOBER 9-12

Experience the powerful landscape of the Greater Grand Canyon area. Be inspired by sweeping views, hike rugged trails, and immerse yourself in a rich mosaic of natural and cultural history.

On this trip, our Summit Circle members and friends enjoy conversations with executive staff, Sierra Club volunteer leadership, and prominent environmental experts.

The Summit Circle provides a unique opportunity to meet like-minded people who share your environmental interests while enjoying the outdoor places we work together to protect. This year, I hope you will join me to explore the sweeping expanses of the Greater Grand Canyon!

See you on the trails,

Bruce Hamilton

Sierra Club Deputy Executive Director

SPEAKERS AND SPECIAL GUESTS

- **Bruce Hamilton**, *Sierra Club Deputy Executive Director*
- **Peter Martin**, *The Sierra Club Foundation Executive Director*
- **Sandy Bahr**, *Sierra Club Grand Canyon Chapter Director*
- **Sarah Ponticello**, *Sierra Club Grand Canyon Watershed National Monument Campaign Representative*
- **Aaron Mair**, *Sierra Club Board President*
- **Bruce Aiken**, *Grand Canyon Artist*

ACCOMODATIONS

Stay at the DoubleTree Hilton near downtown Flagstaff, with easy access to the many natural wonders of central Arizona. Enjoy a sunset dinner overlooking the rim of the Grand Canyon and taste the Southwest's best, dining on fresh, local, sustainable fare.

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Day 1: Friday, October 9

Arrive at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport for our coach departure in the early afternoon. After checking in to the hotel, we'll have time to unpack before a delicious sustainable dinner, where we'll hear about the aesthetics of conservation from local artist and former Grand Canyon National Park Service employee Bruce Aiken.

Day 2: Saturday, October 10

We'll start the day with a visit to Red Butte in the proposed Grand Canyon Watershed National Monument. Spectacular views await—vistas stretch for a hundred miles! Red Butte, which is under threat by nearby uranium mines, is also a sacred site of the Havasupai tribe. Local leaders will join us to describe ongoing protection efforts.

After lunch we'll continue on to the Grand Canyon, and form groups to hike along or inside the Canyon. Take in some of the most breathtaking views in North America while local guides share the rich natural history, fascinating ecological diversity, unique geology, and park resource issues of the canyon. That night, we'll dine in Grand Canyon Village, overlooking the canyon rim. A panel of military veterans, including Sierra Club Board President Aaron Mair, will discuss their experience hiking in the proposed Grand Canyon Watershed National Monument, and how the awe of nature has transformed their lives.

For more information or to reserve your spot, please contact Sarah Sanne: sarah.sanne@sierraclub.org or (415)-944-5535 or sierraclub.org/SummitCircleGrandCanyon

RESERVATIONS AND PRICING

Single (one individual, one room): **\$1,100**

Double (two individuals, one room) **\$1,700**

Pricing includes all ground transportation, lodging, meals, and park fees. It does not include airfare to and from Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport.

Day 3: Sunday, October 11

Sunday, we will hike in the nearby Coconino National Forest. Start the day off with panoramic views of Flagstaff and beyond, full of golden aspen groves. We'll hike across canyons, meadows, and even descend a high lava cliff. That evening Dan Chu, Senior Campaign Director for Our Wild America, will provide an overview of the Grand Canyon Watershed National Monument proposal, while Grand Canyon Chapter Director Sandy Bahr will discuss local issues and campaigns. After dinner, we'll have the opportunity to stargaze at the Lowell Observatory—Flagstaff is a leader in dark-sky protection, and offers magnificent celestial views!

Day 4: Monday, October 12

On our final morning we will eat breakfast at the hotel, then take a coach to Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport for early afternoon departures.

